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Rules of Sales Department

GENERAL RULE—This Association cannot and does not guarantee any member from loss sustained in buying or selling stamps through the sales department, except in such cases where loss accrues to a member through gross negligence or dishonesty of another that would render him liable to expulsion, neither does the Association guarantee its members against any loss accruing from unavoidable accidents or the petty dishonesty of a fellow member which could not reasonably have been foreseen and prevented by the Superintendent. Such losses must be borne by the member and does not constitute a claim against the Association.

RULES FOR BUYERS

1—All members in good standing who desire, may send books for and receive circuits, provided they agree to abide by the rules of the department, except as hereinafter stated. Members who have no stamps in the department, who wish to receive the circuits, can do so by applying to the Superintendent, stating their requirements.

Any member who has not attained the age of twenty-one years must accompany his application with a guarantee signed by some responsible person obligating himself for the proper fulfillment of the member's obligations to the department.

2—Circuits will be sent to members requesting them (as soon as possible) until the Superintendent is notified to cease sending them. Each lot will go over a circuit of eight members; the last one returning it to the Superintendent, who who will check the stamps sold and start on another circuit if deemed advisable, and continued on circuits as long as there is a reasonable chance of sale.

3—Members are allowed to keep circuits three days. If kept longer a fine of 10c per day will be imposed; this rule will be strictly adhered to. Each member will be held responsible for the value of each circuit sent him, from the time of receipt to the time of forwarding. But the society and not the member by whom or to whom a circuit is sent shall be responsible for the accidental loss or destruction of a circuit in transit, if, after an investigation by the Trustees, it shall be ascertained to their satisfaction that the member was not at fault. Each member must bear all expense in forwarding circuits and must forward them by registered mail or express, otherwise the sender will be held responsible therefor in case of loss.

4—Members on removing stamps must place their names plainly in space from which stamp is taken. Should blank space be unaccounted for, it is the member's duty to notify the one preceeding him on the circuit and adjust the matter with him. Failure to do this renders the last member accountable for the amount.

5—Each member before forward

ing circuits must write date of receipt, date forwarded, and amount of purchase on the account sheet that accompanies each lot. Each member shall also forward to the Superintendent a statement of the value of stamps removed from each book in the lot, also date of receipt and forwarding to the next on circuit, together with remittance for stamps purchased.

The fact that a member has books in the department, does not exempt him from paying for stamps when removed. Stamps not accepted in payment of accounts of over $1.00.

RULES FOR SELLERS.

6—Members desiring to sell stamps through the department should procure blank approval books for holding 100 stamps, of the Superintendent at 3c. each, or 6 for 15c.

7—Remove all paper from stamps except in cases where it is desirable to show postmark, etc. Attach stamps securely to books by hinges. Mark prices in ink in space below the stamp. Stamps must not overlap the price, the margin of the book nor each other. Catalogue numbers or other descriptions of stamps must be written in space provided for stamp and not on the margins. It is not necessary to fill every space in the book, but the value of the book must not be less than four dollars.

8—Damaged or heavily post marked stamps, or stamps that overlap the price, etc., will be removed and returned at owners expense.

9—All stamps, etc., considered counterfeit or reprint (with the exception of reprints sold by the government originally issuing them, and receivable for postage at the time of their sale) by the superintendent, will be removed and returned to owner, at latter's expense.

10—Settlements will be made with owners of books as soon as possible after books are retired. A commission of 10 per cent is charged on sales.

11—When books are retired, 1 per cent of the total value of each book will be retained in cash by the superintendent, from the amount due the owner; same to constitute an insurance fund.

From this fund all losses shall be paid of whatever nature except those arising from substitutions. Should losses occur greater than the amount of the insurance fund in hand they shall stand as a liability against he fund, to be paid when he amount of premiums collected will satisfy same.

Interview with Mr. Duggan, Sales Dep't.

We were favored lately with an opportunity to converse with Mr. D. P. Duggan. Sales Supt. of the D.P.A., with regard to the workings of his department.

"Considering all things," said the Superintendent, "my work in the Sales Department has not been unattended with success. By dint of considerable correspondence, I was able to get sufficient names to start three circuits, and while the returns have not been large, I expect when they are retired to show at least a fair percentage of sales. Just now I find my chief difficulty is to get stamps to circulate."

"What class of stamps do you find in most particular request?" was asked. "Of course the bulk of the demand is for British Colonies and Canadian, both postage and revenue, but outside of these I find Australians and older issues of Europe in request. I have also a

customer of issues of France with particular mention of oddities."

Answering a question, Mr. Duggan said: "The members should bear in mind when sending in stamps for sale that the Association is responsible for books lost or which inadvertently get into the hands of dishonest persons, except under certain conditions. For instance, I cannot entertain claims for substitution as experience has shown so many of such claims are erroneously made. For the purpose of protecting our sellers an insurance fund is maintained. I have also been particular to require of minors a guaranty from parent or guardian."

"Where do you stand in reference to the controversy in regard to officers of the D.P.A.?" "As anyone might know by this time, I consider ex-President Young's annulment of the farcical election of July 1st as the only thing a right thinking president would do, and I therefore recognize Mr. A. M. Muirhead as now president of the D.P.A. I was at the London convention and can bear direct testimony to the mode of proceedure there. No doubt some have been mislead by certain reports of the convention—one of which reports appeared in Mekeel's Weekly—in which it is stated that certain parties were present, who were not present. Let Mr. T. S. Clark of London say if he was at the convention, yet the report contains his name and those of others not present. I can only consider this as dishonesty.

"Has Mr. Holmes of London, endeavored to injure the workings of the department?' "He has, by circulating reports that I had declined to serve and announcing that he had appointed another party."

"Cannot some legal action be taken to restrain parties from falsely claiming office and authority?" "In an unincorporated society, such as ours," Mr. Duggan replied, "I do not know that the law can be successfully invoked and it seems to be more a dictate of decency and of common sense than an absolute legal requirement which would restrain parties from claiming office to which they are not entitled."

"What do you consider the prospects for the coming year?" They are of the best and with our present active officers, the regeneration of the Association should soon be well under way. In conclusion," remarked the superintendent, "you might say to the readers of the Dominion Philatelist that I want stamps for circulation at once and that, on request I will be pleased to place the name of any paid up member on my books to receive circuits.

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43 Scott St., Toronto, Canada.

The showing made in the various departments of the Dominion Philatelic Association is a splendid one.

The usefulness of such national societies has, ere this. been conclusively demonstrated, and the D. P.A. has beyond cavil shewn its right to be considered in the highest grade of national philatelic organizations. To the collector who wishes to sell as well as to the collector who desires to buy, the D.P. A. offers facilities which cannot be surpassed by any similar society.

President's Address.

MEMBERS OF THE DOMINION PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION

I am pleased to be able to report an increasing interest in the D.P.A.

Letters are to hand from all over Canada and the United States giving us encouragement to hope for a thorough regeneration of the Society.

The following Resident Vice-Presidents have been appointed: —

British Columbia: Mr. T. S. Futcher, Victoria.

Prince Edward Island: Mr. R. F. Maddigan, Charlottetown.

Newfoundland: Mr. E. Lodge, St. Johns.

Acceptances are to hand from the gentlemen named, and I bespeak for them the consideration which attaches to their position.

It will, I am sure, be a source of gratification to our members to know that, measured by the standard of activity and usefulness, the D.P.A. is, even now, excelled by no philatelic society on the continent.

Yours faithfully,
A. M. MUIRHEAD,
President.

Sales Superintendents Report.

Fellow members:

Everything is now working nicely, thanks to your co-operation.

The department will soon regain its old time activity. Keep up the good work. I am daily receiving requests to be placed on circuits which is very encouraging. I find from letters I have received that a number of members are under the impression that they must have books in the department before they can receive circuits. This is wrong. I shall always be pleased to send you circuits even if you have no books in the department.

I have pleasure to report the following:

30	books on hand last report	$242.69
16	" received since	$188.19
46	" now in circulation	$430.88

Fratenally Yours,
D. P. DUGGAN.
Supt.

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Sidelights on D. P. A. Affairs.

Revealed in an Interviw with Mr. John Ely.

Mr. John Ely, of Eglinton, a wellknown member of the D.P.A. has lately returned from a trip embracing London, Galt, Brantford, Berlin and Woodstock. He reports a sustained interest in stamps at these cities and a general disposition to maintain and augment the standing of the D.P.A.

At London, Mr. Ely called upon Doctor Woolverton, whom visitors to the last convention remember so pleasantly. The Doctor had kind words to say in reference to the "Dominion Philatelist",and made suggestions whereby its value might be enhanced. He was inclined to reticence in the regard to the D.P.A. and desired to get the London members together to discuss the situation. The Doctor would remain loyal to the D.P.A.

Mr. L.S.Holmes was next interviewed by Mr. Ely, at the former's house. In reference to the election held under his charge and afterwards anulled by President W.W. Young. Mr. Holmes maintained that the ballots were entirely fair and that same were still in his possession. However, Mr. Ely left without seeing them. His host had received a letter from Mr.R.F. Wrigley, Toronto, giving particulars of the D.P.A. meeting at which protest was made against the London election. Past President Young's letter anulling the election, Holmes declared had not been written by that gentleman but by A.M. Muirhead. Mr.Holmes was anxious to have some members who were active in years past renew their interest and, says Mr.Ely, he seemed half willing to relinguish his claims to office *if somebody would pay Mr. Paxman of the Stamp Sheet some six dollars owing him by the D.P.A.*

Our infomant states that Mr. Holmes seems undecided whether to stick to the D.P.A.,or to form a new society—a project which is being mooted in London. Mr. Holmes' brother, a young lad, was very bitter against Toronto members, referring to them in terms we will "oblitherate" as Mulvaney said.

Mr. Benson was also seen, but he had no love for the D.P.A. giving as reason, the revelations made to the Convention by the Toronto delegates. These revelations consisted chiefly in showing up the rotteness of the regime of departed ex-Secretary C.W.N. Ussher.

Nous avons change tout cela.

From this brief epitome of Mr. Ely's itinerary, our readers may glean some rather interesting information of the D.P.A. *status quo.*

Auction Manager's Report.

Permit me to thank the members and friends of the D.P.A. for the interest taken in the Auction Department, as regards both bids and lots furnished. From reports to hand, I am certain they will nat regret the stand they have taken.

I would request members to forward lots as soon as possible.

I am, Yours, etc.,
CHAS. J. THOMAS,
Auction Manager.

Financial Report.

Following is a list of moneys received since last month's report.

Balance	$1.43
Dues	4.25
	$5.68

Making a total of $5.68 to the credit of the D. P. A.

I might state that dues are not being paid as promptly as I should wish, and I would urge the members to see to this immediately, as there will be certain expense incurred in the next few months, owing to the demoralized condition at time of my taking over the Dept.

The constitution calls for annual dues to be paid 1st of January of each year.

G. A. LOWE,
Sec.-Treas.
61 King St. W., Toronto.

Secretary's Report

NEW MEMBERS

730 W.S.Weatherston, Box 4852, Johannesburg, S.A.
731. E.Y. Parker, 155 Dowling Ave. Toronto.
732. H.J. Fairhead. Yorkville Ave. Toronto.
733. Alfred Boultbee, 27 Isabella St. Toronto.
734. W.E. Brown, 7 Ross St. Toronto
735. D.L. MrcMillan, 44 Maitland St. Toronto.
736. Wilcox, Smith & Co., Dunedin N.Z.

APPLICATIONS

Alfred B. Rozenblott, 171 McCaul St. Toronto, age, occupation: clerk, references: D. P. Duggan, F. W. Fisher.

RESIGNATIONS.

Jacob Weigel, North Pasdena, Cal.
H. A. Chapman, Rocky Lake, Conn.

In accordance with the constitution, the above applications are now published. If no objection is received by me within two weeks from date, the applications will be considered accepted, and will appear in the next number of the Official Organ as such.

Dues for 1904 will be payable Jan. 1st, and members are asked to remit same promptly.

For application blanks and all information address.

GEORGE A. LOWE, Sec-Treas.
61 King St. West, Toronto.

Financil Report

Stamp Collectors Club

October 1903

Balance on hand		$3
Proceeds of gifts to Club and Commssion3 on sales		85
Members dues paid		5 50
		$9 70

DISBURSEMENTS

2 montes rent	$6 00	
Postage and stationery	63	
Balance on hand	3 07	
		$9 70

Toronto, Jan. 12, 1904.

F. W. FISHER,
Sec'y-Treas.

D.P.A. AUCTION

Anyone may bid. Each lot is sold as one piece, irrespective of number of stamps. If more than one bid at same price is received, the lot will be awarded to bid first received. Successful bidders are expected to remit on receipt of notice. Bid early. Sale closes Feb. 15.

Lot No.		No. in lot		Reserve
B 27	Canada 1-10c King's Head	7		
28	" 7c "	15		
29	" ½c Numerals	50		.16
30	" 5c "	100		.20
31	" 10c "	5		.15
32	" Maps, ass'td.	50		.22
33	" 3c. 1890	500		.10
34	" 7c. Bill, 1st issue	1		.10
35	" 7c. Queen's Head	10		—
36	Assorted Br. Colonies	50	cat. 75c.	
37	$1.50 Album 400 Stamps, cat. $6.00	1		$3.00
38	N.S.W. Perf O.S.	15		—
39	Great Britain 1d ass'd plates	50		—
40	U. S. Columbian 2c	100		.05
41	Japan 15 sen. Cat. $1.50	1		.18
43	Album, value $.150	1		—
43	10,000 1 and 2c Canada on paper			$1 00
44	500 American Papers, ass'd			2.00
45	325 Weekly Era			1.25
46	Weekly Era, 1901 complete volume			.50
47	American Phil. Magazine, complete volume			.40
48	100 English Papers, assorted			60
49	85 Foreign Papers, assorted			30
50	2000 Continentals.			

Members are requested to forward lots for next sale at once.

CHAS. J. THOMAS, Auc. Mgr. **18 Ottawa St. Toronto.**

Stamp Collectors' Club.

Of the City of Toronto.

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Vice-President, JOHN ELY.
Secretary-Treasurer, F. W. FISHER, 4 Lindsay Ave.
Auction Manager, G. A. LOWE.
Auction Clerk, W. S. Bayley.

The 168th meeting of above named club was held Jan. 12. Nine members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The former Sec'y Treas., Mr. C. J. Thomas having resigned, Mr. Lowe nominated Mr. W. S. Bayley and Mr. Ely nominated Mr. F. W. Fisher. On ballot being taken Mr. Fisher was declared elected. The "Dominion Philatelist" was unanimously elected official organ, Would the members in arrears for dues kindly remit same. It would be useful just now.

F. W. FISHER,
Sec'y-Treas.

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Wanted—B. N. A., used or unused, singles, pairs or blocks. Will exchange A1 stamps of other countries. Alfred Boultbee, 27 Isabella St. Toronto, Ont.

Will exchange good British Colonial stamps. Old issues preferred. H. J. Fairhead, 43 Esplanade St. East, Toronto, Ont.

Wanted—pairs or strips, used of any country, for cash or good exchange. E. A. Corker, 648 Markham St., Toronto, Ont.

Wanted—stamps of France and French Colonies, used only, Good exchange given for any such not in my collection. Oddities in French stamps particularly desired. A. M. Muirhead, 43 Scott St., Toronto, Ont.

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Greece Unpaid, 4 var 05
Nyassa Giraffe 16c
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